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WIND

COXGRESS WILL REMAIN

No Holiday Recess to Be Taken This Waek.

RESSION OF THE HOUSE

Ways and Means Committee Dispo of the Adjournment Resolution-Fimancial Measure to Be Reported on Thursday Next-Chairman Ding ley's Statement.

There is not likely to be any adjournment There is not likely to be any adjournment of Congress during the bolidays, or for this week at least. At the first meeting of the Ways and Means committee, which was held this morning, the adjournment resolution which was passed the Senate on Saturday last was called up.

After some discussion which showed that the committee generally deemed it inadvisable to acree to it, a resolution away was the control of the control of the same of the control of the same of the same

visable to agree to it, a resolutio awas offered by Mr. Payne of New York, as follows "Resolved, That it is not expedient that the two houses of Congress should now adjourn for the holiday recess, and that further consideration of the

Senate resolution be postponed."

The Republican members of the committee will meet this afternoon and begin, if possible, the work of formulating a measure of relief for the Treasury, as was recommended in the President's message to Congress on Friday last.

A LARGE ATTENDANCE. The attendance this morning was unusu-large. Those present were Messrs. Ding-ley, Payne, Dalzell, Russell, Dolliver, Johnson, Steee, Evans, Tawnev, Crisp, McMil-

ley, Payne, Dalzell, Russell, Dolliver, Johnson, Steele, Evans, Tawney, Crisp, McMillin, Tarner and Wheeler.

The House Committee on Banking and Carrency met today and organized after a general but informal talk on finances, and then adjourned until January 8. No effort was made today to outline a policy to be followed.

There was a fair attendance of members when the Speaker's gavel fell at noon today.

Mr. Tracey of Missouri was appointed to the Committee on Naval Affairs in place of Mr. Hart of Pennsylvania. Mr. Daniels of New York, chairman of the Committee on Elections, offered a reso-Mr. Dames of New York charman or the Committee on Elections, offered a reso-lution authorizing the appointment of a clerk for each of the three branches of the committee, and authorizing the committee to sit during the sessions of the House, which was agreed to.

A section of the resolution authorizing the charman of the committee to apportion

the chairman of the committee to apportion the contested cases among the committees was objected to by Mr. Crisp, and the cases were, oncer the rules, distributed by the Repeaker, the first nine going to committee No. 1, the next eleven to committee No. 2, and the remainder to committee No. 3.

Mr. Dingley, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, stated that the concurrent resolution providing for a houday adjournment, with the Senate amendments had been considered by the Ways and Means Committee at their meeting this morning.

MOUNE SOON TO ACT

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HOUSE SOON TO ACT.

They had unanimously decided that for yiew of the request contained in the President's message, and under all ther circumstances, it would not be appropriate to take a holiday recess until some measure or relief had been considered by the House. The committee had now such a measure under consideration, and he honed by Thursday next to report it to the House. All absent members had been telegranhed for and he hoped they would all be present on that day.

On motion of Mr. Aldrich, of Illinois, chairman of the Committee on Accounts, a resolution was agreed to directing that rommittee to designate what committees should be allowed clerks.

On motion of Mr. Dingley, the House at 12:30 p. m. adjourned until tomorrow.

Among the bills introduced in the House today were the following:

By Mr. Brewster of New York, to releve the United States Treasury by providing that hereafter no gold coin of a less deponination than \$10 shall be coined, nor shall there be issued any legal-tender notes or paper currency of any kind of less denomination than \$10.

CLEARING THE WAY. HOUSE SOON TO ACT.

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A resolution was offered in the House today by Mr. Henderson of lowa of Me Rules Committee, having for its nurross the clearing of the way in the House for any financial bill which may be reported by the Ways and Means Committee. The resolution provides that when the Ways and Means shall report upon the question of raising revenue now before it, it shall be in order, on motion of the chairman of that committee, to take up and dispose of the same in the House.

The determination of the Republican leaders is to pursue a touch not, taste not, policy in regard to sugar. They will leave all forms and features of that schedule severely alone. The question is too farreaching and dangerous to be taken up and considered in a hurry.

In addition, the Republicans do not have the same bread-and-butter interest in sugar that the Democrats had in the last Congress. Then the South was so overwhelmingly a constituous element of strength that the sugar question could not be ignored.

In the meantime the Committee on Banking and Currency will wrestle with the morpoiential features of the financial situation and will endeavor to frame some bill that will smooth down, but not revolutionize, the present monetary system. That the Republicans will refuse to retire the green-backs and Treasury notes, as recommended ton and will smooth down, but not revolutionize, the present monetary system. That the
Republicans will refuse to retire the greenhacks and Treasury notes, as recommended
by the President, is a foregone conclusion.

Some other and less radical remedial
legislation must be devised to meet the
exigencies of the case. Special care will
be taken to divorce financial from tariff
legislation. The latter has a chance to go
through both branches of Congress, but the
former will be tied up in the Senate.

Silver Senators declare the President's
proposition to retain Treasury notes and
greenbacks simply creates the necessity
for half a billion dollars more gold. All
other propositions will be considered as
contingent upon the recognition of silver.
Financial legislation, remedial or
otherwise, will have rough stedding at
either end of the Capitol.

MR. CANNON'S STATEMENT.

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Appropriations Will Be Reduced to the Lowest Limit.

Mr. Cannon of Illinois, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, today stated that the appropriations for the next fiscal year would be reduced to the lowest limit consistent with the needs of the public service.

He explained that this did not mean a "cheese-paring" policy, but that no appropriations would be made for new work which could by any possibility be postponed until the national finances were more redundant. On the other hand, where new work is vitally necessary, appropriations would be made for it, even if bonds had to be sold to procure the means.

Dave Haunigan Released.

Rewburg, N. Y., Dec. 23.—David F. Hannigan, the slayer of Sol Mann, his sister's betrayer, wife released here by Judge Brown this Jorning. Hannigan was recently tried for the murder of Mann and acquitted on the ground of insanity. He was sent to Poughkeepsle Insane Asylum, where, after a stay of a few weeks, the physicians pronounced him cured.

Auction Sales Today.

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Ratcliffe, Sutton & Co., No. 920 Pennsylvania avenue. Thirteenth street northwest, No. 730, three-story brick dwelling, part lot 23, square 252; by order of J. W. Cooksey, trustee. Sale today at 4 p. m. Ratcliffe, Sutton & Co., No. 920 Pennsylvania avenue. Sixth street southeast, Nos. 413 and 413 1-2, two-story frame dwellings, part original lot 10, square 845; by order of Jno. T. Arms and Samuel A. brury, trustees. Sale today at 4:30 p.m.

A. brary, trustees. Sale today at 4:30 p. m.
Ratcliffe, Sutton & Co., No. 920 Pennsylvania avenue. I street northwest, No. 1814, four-story brick dwelling, parts lots 22 and 23, in square 250; by order of J. W. Cooksey, trustee. Sale Friday, December 20, 4 p. m. Postponed until today at 4:30 p. m.

C. G. Sloan & Co., No. 1407 G street northwest. No. 1465, brick dwelling, sub lot 116, square 555; by order Edward J. Stellwagen and Henry Finley, trustees. Sale today at 4:30 p. m. Duncanson Bros., corner. Ninth and Datreets. Satreet northwest, No. 1433, three-story brick dwelling, lot 218, square 206; by order of C. B. Rheem and F. Hufty, trustees. Sale today at 4:30 p. m.

ITALY'S LITTLE WAR.

tion that the treaty of Uccialli, which vir-tion that the treaty of Uccialli, which vir-tually places Abyssinia under protection of Italy is recognized.

The conditions also provide that King Menciek II must admit the validity of the Italian possession of the country to the March Diver. Italian possess March River.

Rome, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Massowah, under the date of December 22, says that the forces under command of the Rebei Chief Ras Mangacia attacked Makalle on the 20th instant, but were repulsed by the Italian troops forming the garrison of that place.

FATAL FLAMES HIGH IN AIR

Strange Accident at Famous Old Shoenberger's Pittsburg Mills.

Stack Almost Cremated by a Horrible Explosion of Gas.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—Seven men were terribly burned early this morning while at work on the top of Shoenberger's blast furnace, at Etna and Fourteenth streets.

The damage to the furnace is slight, but the accident was most exciting, all of the men having had a narrow escape from cremation. The injured, who were taken to the West Penn Hospital, are;

Philip Bowman, colored.

Frederick Lear.

COMMISSION NOT NAMED

Ex-Senator Edmunds, John A. Casso Maj. Gen. Schoffeld and Admiral Walker Mentioned.

Venezuelan boundary commission without my delay whatever. A number of names mve been suggested.

The general understanding seems to be that the commission will consist of three members, and there is an almost unani-mous opinion that ex-senator Edinmids of Vermont will be asked to serve as one of them.

As to the other two there is considerable

Apparently without any definite author

WATSON TO THE RESCUE.

VICTIMS OF SWINDLERS.

In South Jersey Counties.

Friesburg, N. J., Dec. 23.—A number of people about here have been "taken in" by a crayon portrait agent, who agreed to give a drawing of a member of the family absolutely free of charge. The customer writes his name and address on a piece of paper, understanding it being merely to show where it is to be sent when completed. In due time the picture arrives nicely framed, accompanied by another agent, who says that while the picture is free a charge is made for the frame.

He shows the original paper, and above the signature is an order for the frame, of which the signer was not aware when he wrote his address. In some instances a slight reduction was made by agent No. 2, in order, he says, to avoid a lawsuit, and in this way he disposes of all of those who object. in South Jersey Counties .

ANOTHER MINE EXPLODES. This Time in Illinois and Many Work-

men Are Injured. Carlyle, Ill., Dec. 23.—News has reached here of an explosion in the mine of the Odin Mining Company at Odin, stxteen miles cast of here, on the Baltimore & Ohio South-western Rallway. a large number of workmen are said to have been in the pit when the explosion oc-curred, and it is a miracle that they es-caped.

John Dallas, Andrew Denan, Robert Dal-las and John Simpson were severely injured.

Several miners, whose names are not ob-tainable, were singler barred.

Officer Authorized to Make Peace in Favor of His Master.

London, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Rome to the Central News says that Gen. Bara-tieri, the commander of the Italian troops operating against the Abyssinians, has been authorized to conclude peace with King Menclek II, of Abyssinia, on condi-

even Men at the Top of a Furnace

Philip Howman, colored.
Frederick Lear.
Michael Kelly.
William Mooney.
Joseph Rodinan.
Anthony McNally.
David Scott.
The furnace had been closed several days.
Yesterday the fires were relighted and the furnace charged.
This morning the seven men were completing repairs at the top of the furnace stack, seventy-five feet above the ground, when without warning the bell lifted and a huge volume of barning cas enshrouded the top of the structure and the workmen.
Workmen on the groundranto the elevator, and when they reached the top a pitiful sight met their gaze.
Almost every vestige of clothing had been burned from the bodies of their fellowworkmen. Bowman and Lear had inhaled the flames, as well as being terribly burned about their bodies.

President Cleveland Moving Slowly and Cantiously in the Matter.

President Cleveland is said to be en-icavoring to select the members of the

The general understanding seems to be

As to the other two there is considerable difference in the views expressed. John A. Casson has been suggested, but as Mr. Cas-son is a Republican it is not likely that he will be selected if Mr. Edmunds should be offered a commissionership and should accept.

Apparently without any definite authorisative origin, the rumof has gained currency that the commission will consist of one Democrat, one Republican, and a distinguished military or naval officer.

Lieut Gen. Schoffeld and Rear Admiral Walker have been mentioned in connection

Lieut. Gen. Schofield and Rear Admiral Walker have been mentioned in connection with this rumor, but Admiral Walker could not well serve if a salary were attached by the place, in view of the recent law of Congress which prevents officers of the government from drawing two Federal salaries synchronously.

This provision would not disbar Gen. Schofield, as it expressly exempts retired officers. Chief Justice Faller and Justice Harlan, who have also been mentioned as possible members of the commission, would likewise come within the limits of the law. The Chief Justice had an interview with Secretary Oliney this morning.

All the Indiana Republicans who could be seen this morning ridiculed the suggestion that ex-President Harrison had been offered a place on the Venezuelan commission through the Congressional delegation.

Slings Verse at America.

London, Dec. 23.—Mr. William Watson, who many persons imagine will be ap-pointed poet laureate as Lord Tennyson's successor, has published the following poetic appeal to the United States in reference to the situation arising from the messag of President Cleveland in regard to the Venezuelan affair; "O, towering daughter, Titan of the West, Behind a thousand leagues of foam secure, Thou toward whom our inmost heart is pure of all intent, Although thou threatenest With most unilial hand thy mother's breast;

Not for one breathing space may earth en-dure

dure
The thought of war's intolerable cure
For such vague pains as vex today thy rest.
But if thou hast more strength than thou
canst spend
In tasks of peace, and findest her yoke too
tame,

Help us to smite the cruel, to befriend the Succorless,

And put the raise to shame;
so shall the ages laud thee and thy name
Be lovely among nations to the end."

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The Westminster Gazette says this afternoon it lears the poet's appeal to America comes too late. There was a time, says the Gazette, when Colden's dream of America's effective help for the Armenians migh thave been fulfilled, but now President Cleveland has created just that diversion upon which the sultan has been counting all along.

Crayon Portrait Game Being Worked

merican Line Steumer Berlin Reports Sinking the Bark Willowbank.
Southampton, Dec. 23.—The American
Line steamer Berlin, bound from Antwerp.
Saturday, for New York, which was before reported to have collided with and sunk
the British bark Willowbank. Capt. Young.
Caleta Buena for the United Kingdom, has
arrived here.

She reports that yesterday morning at
4:30 o'clock she collided with the Willowbank at a point twelve miles to the westward of Portland.

The bark quickly settled down and soon
disappeared. The Berlin's boats were at
once lowered and succeeded in taking off
theore wof the Willowbank and the captain's
wife. Sinking the Bark Willowbank.

Cabinet Officials' Call. Secretary Carlisic and Secretary Lamont were among the President's visitors today. Both presumably came in connection with the financial situation, to which is attributed Mr. Lamont's three-day visit to New York. Mr. Lamopt returned to Washington Saturday night.

Bont and Crew Sunk. London, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Ostendsays as the mail boat from England was entering the harbor this morning, it came into collision with and sank a fishing boat. Five of the fisherman's crew were drowned.

Death of Duke of Leeds. London, Dec. 23.—George Godolphia Os-borne, ninth Dake of Leeds, died this morn-ing at his seat, Hornby Castle, Bedale, Yorkshire, after a month's illness. He was born in 1828. HANGED MAN RECOVERS.

BULLS AND BEARS HAPPY

Sharp Recovery in Stocks Make

Great Excitement on 'Change.

LOAN CERTIFICATE ISSUE

Strong Foreign Buying, Small Gold

Shipments, Surrender of Gold by Banks and Efforts Making to Im-

prove the Condition of the National

Treasury Partly Restore Confidence.

New York, Dec. 23.-It has been a long

New York, Dec. 23.—It has been a long time since the Stock Exchange has witnessed such a lively opening as it did this morning. The brokers were in better spirits, and long before the opening it certainly seemed that a strong reaction had set in and that the market would see a sharp recovery today.

The good feeling manifested on the Exchange was attributed for the feeter tone for Americans in London; the statement that the Clearing Hoses.

for Americans in Loiston; the statement that the Clearing House would, at a meeting at noon today, recommend the issuance of loan certificates, if necessary, and the efforts now making at Washington to relieve the Treasury situation.

A feature of the opening of the market was the enormous number of orders from "outside" investors. Almost every broker had his share of this business, and as the purchases were outright, lended to steady the market, give confidence to the brokers, and make them happy, masmuch as the dealings relieved them from further respon-

dealings relieved them from further responsibility of the orders.

FOREIGN BUYING BRISK.

Practically all the foreign houses had uying orders this morning. The orders ame from all parts of the continent and a the aggregate ran into the thousands of

shares.

The fact that all the settlements to the Stock Exchange clearing house were completed before 10.30 a. m., was another development which tended to inspire the street with confidence.

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As the settlements were carried through successfully, the sensational ramors which were current late Saturday about impending failures of big Stock Exchange firms were at once set at rest.

Prices in the first hour brushed up anywhere from 1 to 6 per cent. A further rise in prices was recorded after 11 o'clock, and brokers with Vanderbiit and other strong connections were buyers of the market.

LOAN CERTIFICATES ISSUED.

The clearing boase association at noon decided to issue loan certificates which will bear 6 per cent interest and a commission of one-sixteenth per cent. F. D. Tappen is the chairman of the loan committee. No bank has applied for the certificates as yet. Eight bundred thousand dollars have just

Eight hundred thousand dollars have just been loaned at 7 per cent per annum.

J. P. Morgan & Co. are loaning money at 6 per cent on dividend-paying stocks. The share market is firmer in consequence.

The Bank of America has turned in \$50.000 gold to the sub-Treasury, making the total up to this hour \$150.000. The Merchanits Bank, of Canada, has ordered \$100.000, and L. Von Hoffman & Company will ship \$250.000 on Wednesday.

Stocks quieted down considerably towards closing, and prices are firm. There has been some excellent buying for cash today.

London, Dec. 23.—The improvement in the tone of the market was not maintained at the closing hours. American railroad securities have again become unsettled under selling, and the nervousness in reference to all American stocks is almost as pronounced as ever. Consols have again relapsed.

MINOR DISTRICT MATTERS.

.teense for "Bill's Inn" Rejected-Vet-

erinary Practice Bill.

The rejection of a license to "Bill's Inn." at No. 307 Tenth street northwest, will result in the closing of the place on December 31. The manager, Mr. William L.

Nicholson, who is also the person who owns the stock, fixtures, etc., in the name of his prother-in-law, Thomas F. Maher, will

robably move to some other locality and pen a place of somewhat different char-

open a place of somewhat different character.

The unfavorable report made this year by the police is thought to be a part of the effort to confine such places more closely and finally to move them from their present location. For this reason many other licenses in the district around the new postoffice are being held up.

Supt. Cutler, of the Municinal Lodging House, reported this week an increase of eleven over last week in the total number of persons provided for. Work was secured for thirteen, and one was sent to the hospital. Fifteen free meals and lodgings were furnished.

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The Commissioners have sent to Congress, with a recommendation for favorable consideration, the bill to regulate the practice here of veterinary medicine and surgery. It was brought before them by Dr. Robinson.

Robinson.

The draft provides for a board of five examiners, term three years, members of the District Veterinary Association. They are to name their own officers, have a seal and hold examinations the first Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

story That a Washington Executed Man Wass Restored to Life. Dayton, Wash., Dec. 23.—A remarkable tory comes from Pomerov, Wash., where story comes from Pomeroy, washing. Henry Meyers was recently hanged for mur

der.

After being pronounced dead by nhysicians, the body was turned over to an old German friend of the hurderer, who, by means of simple restoratives, revived the officially dead man.

Three reputable residents of Pomerov assert that they have fersonally conversed with Meyers within the past week and that he is now in hiding from the authorities and will shortly be taken out of the country.

County officials declare that Meyers' body was intered in the potter's field. An official investigation will immacdiately be inaugurated.

THE DISTRICT IN CONGRESS

Highway Act Amendment Offered in the House.

Bill to Reduce the Rates Upon Tele phones-Other Local Measures

Mr. Babcock of Wisconsin today intro-luced in the House a large number of local sils, which were referred to the District Committee. Among them are the following. The bill offered by Mr. Proctor in the Senate to amend an act entitled "An act to provide a permanent system of highways in that part of the District lying outside request, a bill to license billiard ta-

By request, Mr. Proctor's Senate bill to provide for continuing the system of trank sewers in the District.

By request, Mr. Mortili's Senate bill relating to the testimony of physicians in the courts of the District.

By request, Mr. Faulkper's Senate bill to provide for a municipal udiding and courts of the District.

By request, Mr. Faulkper's Senate bill to provide for the incorporations operated in the District.

By request, Mr. Harris, Senate bill to proproviding penalities for charter violations by corporations operated in the District.

By request, Mr. Harris, Senate bill to provide for the incorporation and regulation of medical colleges in the District.

By request, Mr. Harris, Senate bill to provide for the appointment of a public administrator in the District.

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street railway franchines in the District.

By request, Mr. Harris. Senate bill to punish false swearing before trial boards of the Metropolitan police force and fire department.

Mr. Abboti introduced a bill to regulate the prices which may be charged by individuals or companies operating a telephone plant and exchange in the District.

The bill provides that no charge shall be made in excess of \$25 per year for residences, nor more than \$30 for business houses in Washington, but higher rates may be charged outside the city, subject to the approval of the Commissioners.

NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON.

Departure for Southern Waters Ha

Been Postponed. Secretary Herbert spend an hour with President Cleveland at the White House thismorning, presumably with regard to the future plans of the North Atlantic squadron. The departure of the squadron on a craise of evolution which includes the near vicinity of the Venezuela coast, has been again postponed as a result of a conference between Mr. Herbert and Admiral Bunce vesterlar. between Mr. Herbert and Admiral Bunce yesterday. Admiral Bunce left Washington lastnight to join his fleetat Hampton Roads. After coming from the White House today Secretary Herbert declined positively to say anything about future plans for the squadron. It is undoubtedly true, however, that the vessels composing it will not sail until the Texas has joined them, provided that the steam trial trip of that ship is not too long delayed and that it is successful when it occurs.

The Texas is undergoing an official inspection today at Tempkinsville. Staten Island, and on the conclusion of this she will be subjected to some repairs, which may take at least ten days, so that the intention to attach her to the sousdron cannot bear fruit until some time after the beginning of the new year.

The Maine sailed today for Tompkinsville. At the latter place she will take on board a supply of ammunition and then sail for Hampton Roads to join Admiral Bunce.

GRADE CROSSING AGAIN.

Two Persons and Two Horses Killed
Up in Minnesota.

Minneapolis, Dec. 28.—Two persons were
killed by a Great Northern train at Carlisle last night. They are Edward Buran.
jr., of Pergus Falls, and Miss Emma Mox.
domestic in Buran's family. Miss Mox.
was at a dance, and Mrs. Buran becoming
Ill. Buran went after her.
While crossing the dreat Northern tracks
on the way back an enathound train struck
them. Both were killed, as well as the
two horses which Buran was driving.

Eastern Store Apple tack.

Easton, Md., Dec. 23.—8. Frank Dashiell, deputy collector of Internal revenue for the division composed of the Eastern Shores of Maryland and Virginia reports that there were thirteen fruit brandy distilleries in operation in his division this year. Tallot had one, Caroline two, Dorchester five, Wicomico four and Bomerset one. The output was unusually small, and almost exclusively of apple brandy. Mr. Dashiell thinks the amount made will not exceed 1,000 gallons. The government tax on this would be \$1,100. The linwas it now stands permits the distillation of the Juices of apples, peaches and grapes only.

Armenian Affairs.

It is high time that the horrible massacres of helpless Armenians were stopped; the loss of life has been almost inconceivable, almost as much so as the prices prevailing at the Mistit Clothing Parlors, 407 Seventh street. When you consider that everything they sell was made by the best custom tailors, it is wonderful that all Washington does not so immediately to see whether it can get flited. Here are a few of their prices: A forty dollar custom-made suit or overcast for eighteen dollars—a twenty-five dollar one for ten dollars—a twenty-five dollar one for ten dollars—four and five dollar pants for two dollars and a lair. Lon't you think it worth while to find out whether we can fit Armenian Affairs.

RIOTING AT PHILADELPHIA

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Pending Negot ations Cars Are Run and Promptly Wrecked.

IMPORTED MEN ARE SCAREL

Cars Were Run Yesterday, But When Sent Out This Morning, Guarded by Police, They Were Met With Stones, Bricks and Bullets, and Many Were Injured.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—There was no change for the better in the strike situation this morning. The Union Traction Company began ranning a number of cars on the main thoroughfares shortly before 8 o'clock, the motormen and conductors, in nearly every case, being imported labor.

Policemen guarded the cars, as usual, while mounted officers were scattered at the corners of many of the principal streets. Several disturbances were reported to have occurred during the early morning, but they were confined principally to the breaking of car windows, and, so far as can be learned, no one was hurt. or car windows, and, so far as can be learned, no one was hurt.

The complete idleness of the Union Traction system yesterday gave the company an opportunity to repair the damage that had been done to many of its cars by rioters during the week, and this morning, when the cars left more important depots, they had been almost entirely refleted

had been almost entirely refitted FEW RAN THE RISK.

WRECKING BEGINS.

Three cars were wrecked at this point. As an evidence of the condition of affairs. Mayor Warwick had a number of additional special officers sworn in during the morn-

special officers sworn in during the morning, and they were dispatched to the several scenes of frouble.

Pending the result of efforts to compromise the strike, a spirit of unrest is manifest throughout the city.

At 12:30 o'clock this afternoon Director Sheimerdine of the Union Traction Company, who is a member of the executive board of directors, stated that when the executive committee met, an arbitration proposition of strikers was submitted. After considering this the executive committee drew a counter proposition and submitted it to the strikers. The nature of the proposition cannot be learned.

As a car on Market street was proceeding westward at 12:30 p.m., it was blocked by a wagon at Twelfth and Market streets. As soon as the car had stopped some one in the crowd fired a shot at the car. The bullet went through the hat of a woman passenger. The perpetrator is not known.

SUPERINTENDENT TAKES A HAND

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Division Supt. Thackery this morning
manned thirty-five cars with imported
crews and dispatched them over the Thirteenth and Fifteenth street lines. Each
car was guarded by two policemen.
The first of these cars returned to the
depot about 9:30 o'clock so badly wrecked
that it was taken to the repair shop. Then
car after car returned, all bearing evidences of mob violence.
The green motormen, with blanched faces
and treinbling limbs, deserted the cars and
joined the strikers, who declared that the
deserters would have ample protection. The
cars contained no passengers at the time
of the attacks.
At 9:30 o'clock a further detail of police
was found necessary at the depot, Fifteenth
and Cumberland streets, Inside the depot
were 300 men who had been brought from
Ballimore, Brooklyn and other places.
The sight of the wrecked cars returning
did not add to their courage, and it soon became difficult to get men to take out cars.
Many women who were in the crowd about
the depot seemed even more violently inclined than the men.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED. Nannie Simpson, Colored, Charge

With Various Thefts.

Nannie Simpson, the colored woman who was arrestediast wekkby Detectives Weedon and Horne for robbing several houses at which she had been employed, was arraigned in the police court before Judge Miller this morning. She entered a piea of not guilty and demanded a Jury trial. The case went over until next week.

The principal witnesses against the woman are Secretary Lamont's sisterinlaw, Mrs. Arthur P. Kinnie. Mrs. Hamilton Smith and Mrs. W. G. Nicholas. They were on hand, but will have to appear again when the case is called. With Various Thefts.

Employed Unlicensed Engineer.
Fred Lilly, the Northeast Washington wood and coal dealer, was in the police court this morning, charged with employing an unlicensed engineer. He informed the court that the man had only been hired for a couple of hours in an emergency, and after warning him the court took his personal bonds. Held in \$500 Bonds

William D. Neale, the cab driver who was arrested yesterday morning near the Cantol grounds on suspicion of having stolen the watch of Mr. Vernon Ashby, who was in his cab the greater part of the night was in the polici court this morning. He was charged with grand larceny and held in \$500 bonds to swait the action of the grand lury. Mate and Scamen Drowned. San Diego, Cal., Dec. 23.—The steamer Pacheco arrived from the lower coast vesterday morning with her flar at half-mast on account of the loss of Second Mate Smith and Reamen Tornas and Stromberg, who were drowned off San Telmo on Friday last. Their bodies were not recovered.

Deaf Mute's Marriage Defeated by the Use of Shotguns.

Westminster, Md., Dec. 23.—The citizens of Silver Run, Carrollcounty, were considerably startled over a shooting affray that occurred on the farm of Mrs. James E. Dodner. It happened that a citizen of Myers district had become engaged to be married to a daughter of Mrs. Dodner, who is a deaf ninte, and the wedding was fixed for Tharsday last. The girl is the owner of considerable property, and her mother was very much opposed to the match. An elopement was planned, and a man named John T. Starner was to excort the girl. The plans leaked out, and when Starner approached the house he was fired upon by several parties with shotguns. One load of shot struck him in the calf of the leg, making a very had flesh wound and injuring the hone. Starner, being in reduced circumstances, has been sent to the alimshouse for treatment by the physician in charge, and consequently the wedding is off.

ELOPEMENT INTERRUPTED.

BRITAIN AT PUGET SOUND

John Bull Bapidly Perfecting Fortifications at Esquimault.

creat Guns Will Have Absolute Com mand of All-Important Entrances to Great Northwest Harbor.

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 23.-Though ar with England is said to be improbable war with Eigend is said to be improbated, the fact remains that Great Britain is rapidly constructing modern fortifications at Esquimault, a Pacific naval station near Victoria, commanding the Straits of Juan de Fuca, the sole outlet to all towns on Puget Sound, and the termination of three transcriptions of three transcriptions of these

ranscontinental railroads.

A large force of men is employed excavating and blasting away a mountain of rock and laying the foundations for impregnable forts. Surrounding the fortifications a serie of secret dynamite mines will be operate

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The British government contemplates expending more than \$4,000,000 in the work. Strangers experience much difficulty in securing a view of the forts, and close inspection is absolutely probabiled.

The distance from the works to the American shore across the Straits is only eight miles, and modern guins and submarane mines would effectually check any passing for and prevent water communication with Scattle, Tacoma. Fort Townsend and othern northwestern eitles.

The labor on the fortifications began shortly after the sorvey on the Alaska boundary commenced.

SUIT INVOLVING MILLIONS

Confirmation of Title to 496,446 Acres at Las Vegas.

Chief Justice Biogham Reverses Sec retury Noble's Order for Resurvey and Grants Injunction.

Chief Justice Bingbam this morning delivered an opinion of great importance in which the title to eyery foot of land in the town of Las Vegas, N. Mex., the property of the town and 20,000 citizens.

property of the town and 20,000 citizens, all valued in the aggregate at probably \$4,000,000, in which he confirmed the title of the complaimants and reversed an opinion rendered by Hon. John W. Nobie, as Secretary of the Interior.

The chief justice said he reached his conclusion with considerable regret; for the reason, among others, that he had high regard personally for Secretary Nobie, and also of his legal ability, but he believed this to be a case when it was not only proper but necessary for the courts to project the rights of citizens against the acts of the executive department of the government.

of the extractive control of the carriers.

A bill in equity was filed in February last in behalf of Jefferson Reynolds, the town of Las Vegas and others, to enjoin the Secretary of the Interior from executing an order for a resurvey of the land in question, constituting a tract of 496,446 acres, under which order, by the Secretary's construction of the law, sa but about 6,000 acres the control of the law, sa but about 4,000 acres the control of the law, sa but about 4,000 acres

was sought to be restored to the public domain.

The case was argued October 22, ex-Gov. Alphonso Hart representing the plaintiffs, and Assistant Attorney General Hall with Judge Brent, of the Interior Department, representing the government.

In his opinion delivered today Justice Bingham held that the entire tract and the full number of acres described in the bill of complaint belongs to Las Vegas, and its people, and that they have a perfect title conferred by Congress, and that in issuing his order to have it restored to the public domain. Secretary Noble violated the law and the rights of the people. He accordingly ordered that the injunction should issue as peritioned for.

Judge Brent, of counsel for the government, gave notice of an appeal.

FATAL RAILWAY COLLISION.

One Killed and Several Injured on the Cincinnati Southern Road. Cincinnati Southern Road.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 23.—In a double-header, head-end collision on the Cincinnati Southern Raifroad this morning near Cardiff, Tenn., an unknown tramp was killed, and the fireman. McClellan, and another man, named Heath, were injured.

The derailed cars were totally wrecked and the engines were locked, which will block the track for five or six hours. The accident was due to a misunderstanding of train orders.

HARRISON SAYS NO.

Has Not Had a Hint of His Being a Commissioner Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—When seen this morning in regard to the report that he had been offered and declined the ne had been offered and declined the presidency of the Venezuclan commission. ex-President Harrison said that the story was purely imaginative and that no offer whatever had been made to him. The ex-President refused to further talk on the Venezuclan trouble.

CUBANS ADVANCING. Even the Spanish Organ Admits the Constant Forward Movement.
Madrid, Dec. 23.—The Imparcial's special dispatch from Havana says the insurgent forces are constantly advancing.
Telegraphic communication is suspended beyond Jovellanos, to which place Gen.
Martinez Campos has gone, the wires having been cut by the rebels.

Petition of a Guardian. Petition of a Guardian.

Nancy E. Smith, as guardian of infant heirs, has presented to the equity court a petition for approval and confirmation of an order issued by Justice Harner, in probate court, granting permission to encumber the estate of her wards by securing a loan thereon amounting to \$650. The property held is described as lot 5, in block 11, of Hall & Elwau's subdivision of Meridian Hill.

Richard Moulton, William Moore and William McGraw, the young men who were arrested hast night by Policemen Tracey, Emerson and O'Dea of the Ninth precinct and charged with disorderly conduct and assaulting an officer, forfeited their collaterals by non-appearance in the police court this morning. William Newman Asks Jury Trial

Forfeited Their Collaterals

William Newman, the colored man whose speakeasy was raided last night by Sergt. Daley and a squad of natrolmen, was ar-raigned in the police court today, and de-manded a plury trial. The case was con-tinued until next week. Today's Revenue Receipts. Today's nevente to the receipts from internal revenue to-day were \$859.640; from customs, \$559.-207, and from miscellaneous sources, \$22.-827. The national bank notes received to

Crocker's. Shoes are seiling at wonderful prices at Crocker's, 939 Pennsylvania avenue.

ONE CENT.

Silver Republicans and Demo-

crats Are Not United.

DIFFERENT PLANS MAPPED

The Former Have Promised House Leaders to Vote for a Pure and Simple Tartff Bill, But the Latter Want to Tack on a Silver Rider-Compromise May Overcome Veto.

Republican silver Senators have modified their extreme views.

They now promise to place no obstacles in the way of passing a parely revenue bill if such comes from the House. The only proviso they make is that it should be in the line of protection.

But the Democratic allege Senators

In the line of protection.

But the Democratic silver Senators are not modifying their demands one lota. If they insist on tacking to a tariff bill a silver rider it may embarrass the silver Republicans.

That is exactly what they expect to do. They say no tariff bill pure and sample shall go through if their voices hold out. They will defects and any account of the say in the sample shall go through if their voices hold out. They will defects any any account of the sample shall go through if their voices hold out.

will defeat such a movement if they are able to do it physically. Even if the Democrats do not succeed in tacking the silver rider to the tariff bill the Republicans cannot bass it. They have not enough votes. They must depend on Populist votes.

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They think they can get some of them. Mr. Peffer of Kansas is a protectionist, and so is Mr. Jones of Nevada. With these two votes the Republicans can pass a tariff bill.

LEADERS IN CONFERENCE.

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All this is based on the promise that a tariff bill pure and simple will come over from the House some time this week. Yesterday was spent by Senate and House leaders in conferring on the subject and a conclusion was reached.

Silver Republicans have promised to vote for a pure tariff bill, and House leaders have promised to present such a measure. The House will be relieved of responsibility by passing such a measure and it then rests on the Senate.

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passing such a measure and it then rests on the Senate.

An arrangement of some kind must now be made withsilver Democratis in the Senate. It is possible that a sliver rider may be attached under one condition—that of votes enough to pass the bill over the President's veto. Some such way out of the difficulty may be agreed on.

The President will veto a tariff measure, at least every one expects it. He is also going to issue bonds, and most senators are looking for the notice this week. This issue cannot be helped. But it may be used as a clab on Democratic silver Senators.

Rather than see further issues of gold bonds, they will agree to help pass a tariff measure over the President's veto. If a recognition is given silver.

The Republicans hold that a tariff measure will bring in larger revenues. Larger revenues mean a surplus. A surplus means that the reserve will not be used for the expenses of the government. A reserve and surplus logether mean the stooping of any run on the Treasury and the doing away with the necessity of issuing bonds.

RECOGNITION OF SILVER.

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The sound-money Senators would agree to a recognition of silver in return for votes for a tariff bil. The silver be penocrats would do most anything to save the issue of gold bonds. So some Senators have figured out the scheme.

In the moise any party measure could be passed over the President's veto. The Republicans have five more than a two-thirds of the membership. In the Senate with the aid of silver Democrats more than a two-thirds vote could be mustered.

The Senate will meet tomorrow and await the action of the House. There will be no adjournment for a tanger time than libre days. Just as soon as the house reports their work will be taken up.

Republican Senators expect to get into their new committee rooms by New Year's. The Democrats will be pushed in the matter of committee assignments. They will be expected to present them by the first of next week. If not, the Republicans may go ahead and act of their own accord.

It is now understood that the matter of Senate officers will at once be taken up. The caucus nominees will be voted for, and it is expected they will go through.

WORKMEN DIVIDED.

Chicago Labor Congress Tul Anti-War Resolution. Anti-War Resolution.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—A sensation was caused at the meeting of the Chicago Labor Congress yesterday by the introduction of a preamble and resolution condemning President Cleveland's Venezuelan message and the Monroe doctrine. The resolution was as follows.

"Resolved, That as we have no quarrel, no desire for the alleged glory of bloody war, but instead we recognize the ties of brotherbood and the hope for common upiliting of the wage-workers of all countries, we do, as members and representatives of the wage classes, most emphatically protest against the murderous designs of those who would thus destroy our fellow-workers, and we carnestly appeal to the workingmen everywhere to make their condemnation heard.

After a heated discussion the resolution

jority. FOUR DROWNED.

Brave Attempt at Bescue Resulted in All Going Down.

Arvada, Col., Dec. 23.—Four people were drowned at Lathrop Lake yesterday morning. Their names are Charlie Iones ared ten years; Robert Jones, ared twenty-one years; Maggie Jones, ared twenty years; Maggie Jones, ared twenty years, and Ina Bell, aged sixteen years, and Ina Bell, aged sixteen years.

A large company of people went out to the lake to skate, which is an unusual luxury in this section of the State. The ice broke and Charlie Jones sipped through.

There was a rush on the part of his brother and sister to ald him. Miss Bell, who had been skating with Maggie Jones, accompanied her.

In their frantic efforts to rescue the little fellow they broke through, and, coming up under the ice, died before their friends, who were near, could save them.

MORE THIN ICE.

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Three Illinois Boys Who Went Skating Once Too Often.

Morris, Ill., Dec. 23.—Three boys lost their lives in the Illinois and Michigan Canal at this place yesterday afternoon. The names of the dead boys are William Lauerman, aged ten, and James Kinney, aged twelve.

The boys went to the canal to skate without the knowledge or permission of their parents.

The recent heavy rain had rendered the ice on the canal unsafe, and the three dead boys must have been close together at some point on the canal when the leg broke, letting them into the water.

TEXAN TOWNS DESTROYED. Brookston and Kosse Both Fire Swept
Yesterday Morning.

Paris, Tex., Dec. 23.—The town of Brookston, nine miles west of here, was swept by a disastrous fire at 3 o'clock yesterday. Every business house in the place was burned. Loss, \$50,000, partially insured. Mexicia, Tex., Dec. 23.—The town of Kosse, near here, was almost totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Total loss, \$71,000; insurance, \$21,000.

BLACKBURN HEADQUARTERS The Kentucky Senator Not Heaten Until There Is an Election. Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 23.—Senator Black-burn will arrive here today to perfect some preliminary arrangement in his race for re-slaction.

election.

His friends have engaged headquarters
for him at Hotel Frankfort, and these will
be open to the followers of the free silver
champion during the session, or at least
as long as the fight for Senator keeps up.

Hartford Bridge Goes Down. Hartford, Conn., Dec. 23.—The East Hartford bridge was carried away by the flood this morning at 1:30.

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fit and style in clothiw are unequalled in